A RESOLUTION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS DERRICK BOAZMAN, JIM MADDOX, C.T. MARTIN, MARY NORWOOD, AND IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR.

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE UPWARD ADJUSTMENTS OF THE WATER/SEWER FEES CHARGED IN THE INTERJURISDICTIONAL CONTRACTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is required by federal and state law and by federal court order to implement a massive program of upgrades and renovations to its water and wastewater systems; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing water and sewer services to residents and businesses within the city limits of the City of Atlanta, the City also provides water and sewer services to other jurisdictions, on a wholesale basis; and

WHEREAS, the provision of water and sewer services to other neighboring jurisdictions, including Fulton County, DeKalb County, and a number of municipalities, is performed pursuant to interjurisdictional agreements with those local governments; and

WHEREAS, the interjurisdictional contracts constitute a majority of the water and sewer services provided by the City but generate only a small percentage of the revenues of the water/sewer systems; and

WHEREAS, the fees currently charged in those interjurisdictional agreements do not take account of the enormous cost of the required upgrades and renovations to the water and wastewater systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, that the Mayor or her designee immediately begin discussions with those local governments that receive water and sewer services from the City of Atlanta with the objective of negotiating amended interjurisdictional agreements by which the City will provide water and sewer services on a wholesale basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amended interjurisdictional agreements should reflect the City's increased cost of providing water and sewer services; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Mayor or her designee report to the City Council on a monthly basis, beginning in February 2004, as to the progress being made in securing amended interjurisdictional agreements to provide water and sewer services as well as a projected date by which such amended interjurisdictional agreements can be presented to City Council for its review and approval.

AND FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby waived.